THE MAINE ELECTION.

At the time of the political troubles in Maine the reports from the scene of action were so conflicting that it was impossible for a fairminded person to come to any rational conclusion as to the merits of the case. Since the smoke of battle has cleared away, and the questions in dispute have been submitted to a more impartial investigation, the cold facts have gradually worked themselves to the top. Everything, so far elicited goes to show that the Fusionists were doing all in their power to pervert the will of the people, and every act in their nefarious programme was a blow aimed at honest government. It was an uninterrupted series of bribery, forgery, perjury and corruption. The recent elections show how their acts are regarded. It has been a triumph of Republicanism in all places of any importance. The Democratic press has been exulting over the fact that here and there the Republican ticket was beaten. In some of these villages where the "Republicans were overwhelmed with defeat" there was a voting population of from ten to fifty people. The returns from these sections (where the general pepularity of the contestants is the only guide to the voters, and one corner grocery is pitted against another) were taken by the Democrats and paraded in their papers as evidence that the men who attempted to take possession of the government of the State, by fair means or foul, were endorsed by the verdict of the people. Any attempt to make political capital out of such thin material is as absurd as the proposition to build a house from a single brick.

A REMARKABLE DISCOVERY.

W. E. F. Deal yesterday informed a Virginia Chronicle reporter that Mr. Tilden had no connection with the famous cipher dispatches, and that any attempt to connect the distinguished Democratic statesman's name with those fifteen-puzzle telegrams would be merely a manifestation of Republican mendacity for political effect. Mr. Deal seems to be a sort of political Edison, and from this specimen of his skill we shall not be surprised if he brings to light the startling facts that Tilden has no bar'l; that he has paid taxes on his full income; that he was at the beginning and throughout the war a strong Union man; that he never was guilty of scaly stock transactions; that he is not a wily old wire-puller, but an honest, straightforward old gentleman of the granger pattern; that he has no nephew named Pelton; that he never knew a person named Manton Marble, and that prayer meetings are the only assemblies for which No. 15 Gramerov Park are distinguished.

The APPEAL has great hopes of Mr. Deal He has started on a great and virgin path of discovery. The man who can rise and tell the American people, with every appearance of being sincere in his belief, that Tilden had nothing to do with the cipher dispatches, is capable of writing a book to prove that there is no such state as Florida and that there was no Presidential election held in the United States of America in 1876.

THE AGED AND THE DEAD .- The Stockton Mail looks as if it was already an established success. Although but a few weeks old, it has had such confidence in its position as to boldly attack the nuisances of the city. It declared an old man who sold peaches on Main street a nuisance. Immediately a score of letters were received at the office Jeprecating an attack on an " old man," at which the Mail takes occasion to reiterate its opinion regarding the peach seller. There is a maudin sentiment prevailing everywhere in favor of old people and dead people. Gray hairs should not protect a fraud, and death can make no possible change in the record of a scallawag. John Ruskin was once speaking disparagingly of an old man, when a bystander remarked, "Recollect that his hair is white." " And his heart black," was the reply. Grant while scoring an enemy was similarly interrupted with the remark; "General, the man is dead now." "He is a fraud, dead or alive." was the rejoinder. The old should earn the respect of the community, not by their gray bairs, but by clean lives; and the man who cannot gain respect without dying, better never have lived.

Among recent inventions is an automatic machine for lighting fires at any stated time. It is attached to clock-work, and when the hour at which it is set arrives, a pawl is released by the clock, a weight drops, a sanded wheel revolves and ignites a match held by a clamp, which sets fire to a piece of paper or other combustible, extending to the kindlings in the stove. This is very handy, and if this ingenious inventor will give us a machine that will set the table and wash the dishes, housewives will gladly celebrate their independence of Ah Foo.

THE report has been extensively circulated of late that Judge C. N. Harris writes the political editorials for the APPEAL. There is no truth whatever in this impression; they are written by the editor of the paper. Judge Harris has not written a line for the APPEAL since July last. This statement is made to save the Judge the bother of making explanations of the matter on the street.

COMSTOCK NOTES.

SCARCITY OF CLAW HAMMERS - THE CLARKE ASSAULT-MINING GOSSIP-BURKE AND THE COUNTY JAIL.

Virginia City, March 25, 1880. EDITOR APPEAL: The social system of the Comstock has been shaken to its center the past few days by the announcement that a dress party is to be held in National Guard Hall on the 2d of next month. There is more excitement among the male than among the female portion of the community on account of this. The supply of swallow-tail coats in this county is limited, and the pawnbrokers and others who own them are incorrigible in their demands for the payment of the usual rental money in advance. You will readily see that some of our local beaux will be compelled to wear their every day clothes.

THE CLARKE CASE. The attempted assassination of Tom Clarke as again been brought prominently before the public by the reward offered by his brother, General Clarke, and the reported investigation by the Grand Jury. The Grand Jury

has not vet reported the result of its inquiry. Clarke was shown one of his assailants on C street last Tuesday, but refused to make out s complaint for his arrest. It is hinted that General Clarke is working this thing up quietly and that he hopes to have Tom's assailants and their accomplices in jail in less than ninety days from this time. Ben Lackey, the detective, is reported to be in his employ.

At the railroad depot in this city professional fighters are to be seen at all times of the day. They are supposed to be hired by the railroad company. It is expected that all trouble between the railroad and the Mechanics' Union will soon be settled.

THE MINING OUTLOOK.

The mining situation here remains "un changed." In this, all the brokers and min ing experts agree. In Belcher there are some features upon which to hang a faint hope, but as yet the best that can be said is that the mine has "a prospect."

A "deal" is soon to be made in Alta stock, dthough no one believes they have anything a the mine worth mentioning.

The north end is of more interest. There s undoubtedly ore in that direction.

The dividing line is all that bothers the shareholders of Sierra Nevada and Union. The Union people are not growling much, but the Sierra Nevada folks seem to think they are getting gouged. They even go so far as o hint that part of the line ore daily sent to he mills by the Union is from their ground. This, of course, is founded in the prejudice which a base-born serf naturally holds against rich men and powerful corporations.

Speaking of mines reminds me of the fact hat the Pyramid Lake mines are again receiving considerable attention at the hands of our local speculators. Como District is not on the boom as much as it was a few months ago. GENERAL GOSSIP

The weather has been as fickle during the past few days as the heart of a Gold Hill belle first warm and then cold, and vice versa The streets are still filled with snow in places, to the depth of two or three feet.

The half-day system of school teaching is to be tried here, beginning next month. The Gold Hill schools have been thrown into a fu ror by a report that a teacher is to be imported from the East to take the place of Miss Salkeld, who is about to resign.

The County Jail which Pete Burke built at such heavy cost to the county having proved untrustworthy, so far as its holding ability was concerned, is to be lined with sheet iron at a cost of \$3,300. It is just possible that Burke expected to get in there sometime himself on account of his bill for extras, and made the walls weak on purpose. This is an uncharitable reflection, but it is unavoidable.

Charley Shy-Locke has telegraphed to Piper canceling the engagement of Sothern in this city. The Baldwin Theatre Combination will come instead.

Dr. D. Banks McKenzie will leave this city to-morrow. His last act before leaving was to establish a temperance reading room. His hair is as long as ever, but it is not a circumstance to Captain Jack's.

The economical Belgians, availing themselves of the wonderful instinct of locality which cats share with the carrier rigeon, are thinking of utilizing them as carriers. Thirtyseven cats, residing in the city of Liege, were recently put into bags and carried a long way into the country, where they were liberated, and within twenty-four hours they had all returned to their homes. It is therefore proposed to establish a regular system of commu nication between Liege and neighboring towns by means of cats.

A drunken doctor in Syracuse, being called upon to sew up some gashes in a man's face, and seeing the blood flowing not only from his wounds, but his mouth, sewed that up also and went home. When the patient rallied from the effects of the ether, it was only by vigorous gurgling in his throat that he succeeded in attracting the attention of his attendants, and another and soberer doctor cut the stitches.

The heaviest storms of the season are reported along the Atlantic coast. After an unusually open winter these late storms work even worse hardship by causing a backward Spring and poor crops.

A rich citizen of Detroit lay upon his dying bed. All his lifetime he had been known as a sound business man, and oft and again his fellow citizens had come to him for business advice. He was dying in his old age, but yet his intellect was bright and sound. When he knew that he had but a few hours to live he called his only son to him and said: "George, I am going to die, and before I go I want to speak a few words with you. You have neither trade nor profession; you simply wander up and down, squandering all the money you get hold of. In the last ten years I have given you over \$12,000. What has become of it?" "Gone up the spout!" was the mournful reply. "But I shall not upbraid you," continued the father.
"I have made a will. I had five lawyers work at it for a week, and I believe it is sound. I am worth \$500,000. I have willed you onefourth of this amount, and given your mother 'You haven't gone and willed her the big cud, have you?" interrupted the son. "George, I thought it was best, and I now ask you to promise me that -" "Can't de it -can't possibly do it, father!" "George, won't you promise me to stop drinking?" "Oh, that's it? Yes. father, I promise with all my heart. I thought you wanted to bind me not to set up a plea of insanity, and bust that will into t e middle of next week in about a York minute. Go on father!" - Detroit Free Press.

A San Francisco paper affects surprise tha Gannon should have taken an appeal. The custom of taking an APPBAL is considered the correct thing in this country. This office however, has never received any subscription from Mr. Gannon,

Dr. H. W. Harrington, of Winnsboro, Tex. was called out to attend a patient, and assassinated near his own door.

Last year Colorado produced \$1,310,000 werth of coal and \$16,300.416 worth of gold

The U.S. Senate adjourned on Thursday anul Monday, that Good Friday might be properly observed.

It is stated that Benjamin F. Butler, of Mass., proposes to visit this coast some time next month.

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